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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

DIXON ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/525,456 ✓

FILED: FEBRUARY 24, 2005

FOR: HB-954 AS A TARGET FOR MODULATING ANGIOGENESIS

MS: Missing Parts

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

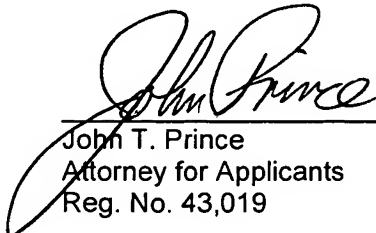
The Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed March 31, 2006 (a copy of which is enclosed) has a shortened statutory time set to expire on May 31, 2006.

In response, applicants now submit a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence submission, including a computer readable copy, a paper copy and a Statement Verifying Identity of Above Copies.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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